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- WO 02/14212 A1 (corresponds to US 2003/0138678);
- US 5,583,240 B1 (related to US 5,936,106); and
- Struis et al article, "A membrane reactor for methanol synthesis"; Journal of Membrane Science; May 1, 1996; pp 93-100; Vol. 113, No. 1; Elsevier Scientific Publ. Company; Amsterdam, Netherlands.

A copy of the International Search Report, which is in the English language and serves as a statement of relevance for any non-English references above, is attached hereto for the Examiner's convenience.

The following documents were cited in the basic German application DE 103 48 879, priority of which is claimed: US 6,630,266 B2 (related to US 2005/0181250); US 6,444,343 B1; and US 2003/0157385 which issued into US Patent No. 6,890,674 B2 (related to US 2005/0181250).

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Copies of the above-noted foreign documents are enclosed herewith, along with Form PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B. It is requested that they be fully considered and made of record in this case.

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